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| Proceeding | 91183160 |
| Party | Defendant BIDS HOLDINGS L.P. |
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BROWN BROTHERS HARRIMAN & CO.,

Opposer,

v.

BIDS HOLDINGS, L.P.,

Applicant.

Opposition No. 91183160
(consolidated w/ No. 91181503)

Serial No. 78/931,697

Mark: BIDS BLOCK INTEREST
DISCOVERY SERVICE

ANSWER TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Applicant BIDS Holdings, L.P. (“Applicant”), by its undersigned attorneys, as and for its Answer to the Notice of Opposition alleges as follows:

1. With regard to the introductory paragraph, denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations regarding Opposer’s business location or citizenship and therefore denies those allegations, admits that Petitioner has filed the instant Notice of Opposition challenging the registration of Applicant’s mark BIDS BLOCK INTEREST DISCOVERY SERVICE (Application Serial No. 78/931,697), and otherwise denies the remaining allegations in the introductory paragraph.

2. Admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 1 that Applicant is a limited liability company and is the owner of Application Serial No. 78/931,697, and otherwise denies the remaining allegations of Paragraph 1, as Applicant’s address is 111 Broadway, Suite 1603, New York, New York 10006.

3. Admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 2 that Application Serial No. 78/931,697 seeks registration of the mark BIDS BLOCK INTEREST DISCOVERY SERVICE for “financial services, namely providing a stock trading system for trading large blocks of stock” in International Class 36 and that Opposer attached a copy of page TM 1088 from the

Official Gazette of March 25, 2008 to its Notice of Opposition, and otherwise denies the remaining allegations of Paragraph 2.

4. Admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 3

5. Admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 4 that Opposer is the named owner of U.S. Registration No. 1447916 for the mark BIDS in International Class 38 for “electronic transmission of financial securities information to financial institutions,” denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations of Paragraph 4 and therefore denies those allegations, and affirmatively avers that any alleged foreign registrations of Opposer are not relevant to the instant proceeding.

6. Denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 5.

7. Denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 6.

8. Denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 7.

9. Denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 8.

10. Denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 9.

11. Denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 10.

12. Denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 11.

13. Denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 12.

14. Avers that the allegations contained in Paragraph 13 state a legal argument or conclusion to which no answer is required, and accordingly denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 13.

15. Denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 14

16. Avers that the allegations contained in Paragraph 15 constitute a prayer for relief and not a factual allegation to which an answer is required, and accordingly denies the allegations in Paragraph 15.


**AS AND FOR A
FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

17. Opposer's Notice of Opposition fails to state any claim upon which relief may be granted.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this Opposition be denied and that Application Serial No. 78/931,697 proceed to registration.

This 5th day of May, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,



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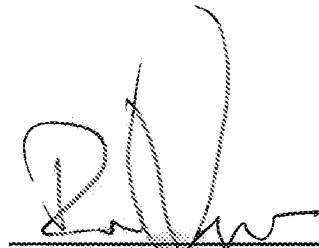
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the attached **Answer to Notice of Opposition** has been served upon Opposer's counsel by depositing a copy in the United States mail as first class mail, postage pre-paid, addressed as follows:

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This 5th day of May, 2008.



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